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AMENDMENT AFTER A FINAL OFFICE ACTION

SIR:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on January 18, 2005 (a Notice of Appeal was mailed on July 15, 2005 and filed on July 18, 2005 in the Patent Office, and the two-month Appeal Brief date of September 18, 2005 has been extended by two months to November 18, 2005 by the accompanying RCE Transmittal and Petition to Extend), please reconsider the above-identified application based on the following:

Amendments to the CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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